February 24, 2014

Department of Ecology – Southwest Regional Office
Shoreline and Environmental Assistance Program
Attn: Sarah Lukas
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Re: Bonney Lake Shoreline Master Program – Grant Number G1000016

Ms. Lukas,

The City of Bonney Lake City Council took action under Resolution 2297 on January 28, 2014 expressing the City’s intent to adopt the Bonney Lake Shoreline Master Program (SMP) to replace the 1975 Bonney Lake Shoreline Management Master Program (SMMP) as required by RCW 90.58.070 upon approval by the Department of Ecology (Ecology). The purpose of the new SMP is to comply with RCW 90.58.080 which mandated a comprehensive update to the 1975 SMMP and the guidelines established by Ecology in Chapters 173-26 and 173-27 WAC. The Bonney Lake SMP is not be a standalone document, but will be integrated into the City’s regulatory framework: the shoreline goals and policies are being added as a new element in the Bonney Lake Comprehensive Plan and the shoreline regulations are being added as a new article in Title 16 of the Bonney Lake Municipal Code consisting of 13 chapters entitled “Shoreline Code”.

Over the last four years, City staff have been working with a citizen advisory committee, consultants, the Cascade Water Alliance, Ecology, the Bonney Lake Planning Commission, and the Bonney Lake City Council to develop an SMP that balances the environmental protections, private property rights, and recreational usage of the lake and shoreline. As part of the update process, the City was also required to amend portions of its critical area regulations (Title 16 – Division II Bonney Lake Municipal Code) to demonstrate that there is a no-net-loss of ecological function for those critical areas within the shoreline jurisdiction. This letter is intended to officially transmit the required documents and materials to Ecology for processing and approval. The package contains the information listed on the attached document entitled City of Bonney Lake Shoreline Master Plan Submittal – Table of Contents.

We would like to thank you and Ecology for all of the help and assistance provided during the long process of developing the Bonney Lake SMP. You have been available and professional throughout this entire process and the City appreciates your help.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
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Community Development Department